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SUBJECT: Five Day Reconciliation Update

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During the January 18, 2006 Forum meeting, we discussed the required sample size for the five day reconciliation. It has been determined that the sample size for reconciling meal counts to attendance and enrollment by participant will be set at eight (8) claimed participants.

- For providers with eight or more claimed participants, eight will be included in the reconciliation.
- For providers with fewer than eight claimed participants, all will be included in the reconciliation.

In addition, it has been determined that for Tier 1 providers who claim their own children, the sample used to conduct the five day reconciliation must first be taken from non-resident claimed participants. 'Provider's own' should be included in the reconciliation only if there are not enough non-resident claimed participants to fulfill the minimum required sample size.

For Tier 2, Tier 2 Mixed, and Tier 1 (not claiming their own), with nine or more claimed participants, the sample used for the five day reconciliation must be selected at "random."